



Diary Dates

Thurs 27th April

Y1 Visit to the Orchard

**MON 1ST MAY
BANK HOLIDAY
(School closed)**

Tues 2nd May

Y3 Visit to the Orchard

**SATs Week Mon 8th—
Thurs 11th May**

Wed 10th May

Y5 Trip to Carsington
Water Centre

Fri 12th May

Y6 DARE Programme
begins

Fri 12th May

F2 Visit to the Orchard

**Week of 15th May
Tolerance Week**

Fri 19th May

Cultural Diversity Day

Tues 23rd May

Y5 last swimming lesson

Tues 23rd May

Y4 Visit to the Orchard

**PLEASE NOTE:
29th May—2nd June
HALF TERM
PLUS Mon 5th June
INSET DAY
School Closed
Children back to
school on Tues 6th
June**

End of Spring Term 2017 Achievement Awards

Well done to the following children who received an award:

RAINBOWS: Dilshad Rodgers; Mayamu Kromah; D'Jion Swire; Kadaysha Rodgers; Mia Hillyard

YEAR 1: Keisha Ojouboh; Sefora Puma; Meekah Henry; Wyatt Csoka; Caitlyne Blair

YEAR 2: Damien Parkes-Lowe; Hazar Topalca; Adam Hassan; Mylee Sedgwick-Simpson; Shenaz Aziz

YEAR 3: Ethan Ross; Aaliya Al-Dean Saleem; Jessica Wood; Edina Horvath; Shamora Burrows;

YEAR 4: Jay-Sean Leonardi; Riellah Staples; Kierra Henry; Kayhan Niazi; Nayte Kyle;

YEAR 5: Alicia Blair; Marie Cervenakova; Arda Gunesten; Emily Wesley; Hana Mengsteab

YEAR 6: Kassiah Lindsay; Kyle Begg; Adriana Blair; Shaun Gichuhi; Casey Swift



www.internetmatters.org is an excellent website that has good 'how to' information for protecting children at home. Once you have answered questions about your internet provider and devices, instructions can be downloaded guiding how to change settings using an interactive page. This website is also very useful for general eSafety information and should be the first port of call for advice and guidance.



The spiritual, moral, social, and cultural (SMSC) enrichment of our children is at the heart of St Ann's Well Academy's ethos. We embed it across the curriculum and within our core values, behaviour system, enrichment activities, visits, trips and assemblies. Our focus this half term, is Citizenship. Some of the areas we may cover across school include; thinking about what belonging means to us, why we need rules, making decisions, challenging stereotypes, rights of the child and the UK Government.

Y1 Visit to Nottingham Castle

In March Year 1 visited Nottingham Castle. The children made masks and acted out the story of Robin Hood. We learnt about the animals that he would have come across in Sherwood Forest and saw a stuffed hare and red squirrel. The children compared the foods that Robin Hood would have eaten with what we eat now. The children thoroughly enjoyed the trip.

Year 5 – Astronomy Day at Nottingham University:

On Thursday 23rd March, Year 5 went to University - just for the day though. As a follow up to our topic work on the Solar System earlier in the year, the University of Nottingham invited us to their Department of Physics and Astronomy for a day of activities. We learnt how to classify galaxies and the stories behind the constellations. We even got a tour and were wowed by the size of the library!

Y1&Y2 Infant Agility Festival

At the end of last term 10 children from Year 1 and Year 2 attended the Infant Agility Festival at Nottingham Trent University. The children entered a variety of events including hurdles, speed bounce and relay races. They had a great time and brought back lots of new ideas for our PE lessons!

Kingswood Residential

Last term some children from Year 3 and 4 went to Kingswood in Shropshire for a two night residential. We had an amazing time doing lots of activities such as climbing, zip wiring, Jacob's ladder and aero-ball. One night we had a camp fire, sung songs, ate toasted marshmallows and drank hot chocolate. The other night we had a disco and danced until our feet hurt! We all had an amazing time but came back exhausted!

PARENT CONTACT DETAILS:

Please could all parents ensure that the School Office has up-to-date contact telephone numbers in case we need to contact you.



Y5 – STEM Day at Nottingham Forest

Year 5 trooped off to Nottingham Forest Football Ground for an adventurous day in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths! The day saw us construct a race car powered by an elastic band, build a tower to support a helicopter landing with nothing but paper and glue and finally a rollercoaster for a marble! Everyone had lots of fun.

What's happening in school?



School's Vision – Every Child is a Reader

Research shows that reading to a young child is the single most important thing you can do to help your child's education.

Reading can show you CARE for your child

Reading can help you CONNECT with your child

Reading can unlock CONFIDENCE in your child.

Top Tips for Busy Mums, Dads and Carers

1. FOCUS ON WHAT YOU CAN DO, NOT WHAT YOU CAN'T
2. MAKE A REGULAR TIME TOGETHER
3. TAKE TIME TO LISTEN, LISTEN, LISTEN
4. STRIKE A BALANCE BETWEEN PERFECTION AND CONNECTION
5. ENJOY READING ANYTHING EVERYWHERE
6. ASK FOR EXTRA HELP IF YOU THINK YOUR CHILD NEEDS IT
7. HAVE FUN.

We need your support

Reading is the key to unlocking knowledge and understanding in many things in your child's life. Encouraging your child to read 4 times a week will have a significant impact on your child's achievement in the future. Please, please

Classes for Parents

Tuesday am—ESOL

Thursday pm—Adult English

Friday am—Parents Group (ongoing)

Friday 16th June –pm (to be confirmed) Cyber Workshop

Year 3 Performing Arts Day 17th Feb

Year 3 went to the Dance Studios in Nottingham to take part in a performing arts day. The theme for the day was taken from the musical 'Whistle Down the Wind'. They took part in workshops delivered by a specialist in the disciplines of singing, dancing and acting.

Year 5 This Girl Can

On March 27th, a group of Year 5 girls went to Harvey Hadden Sports Complex to take part in the 'This Girl Can' event. For a whole morning, they took part in a variety of indoor sports and athletic events. The day was for girls only, with children coming from several schools in the Nottingham.

Please see Mrs Chapman if you need any information and to book a place.



Summer is on it's way, with lighter evenings...are your children getting enough sleep?

Keeping your child to a regular bedtime routine can be difficult, but it can help to improve the quality of their sleep. "Sleep is the power source that keeps your mind alert and calm. Every night and at every nap, sleep recharges the brain's battery. Sleeping well increases brainpower just as weight lifting builds stronger muscles, because sleeping well increases your attention span and allows you to be physically relaxed and mentally alert at the same time. Then you are at your personal best. For some children,

irregular sleeping hours can be problematic. Setting a regular bedtime schedule can really help children get the right amount of sleep. It's important to devise a routine that works for you and your child, and to stick to it. Avoid screens in the bedroom—the bedroom should be a relaxed environment. Experts say that bedrooms are strongly associated with sleep, but that certain things weaken the association. These include tablet computers, mobile phones, TVs and other electronic gadgets, light or noise and a bad mattress or uncomfortable bed. The light from screens can also affect how easily children get to sleep. Try to keep your child's bedroom a screen-free zone and get them to charge their phones and other devices downstairs. That way they won't be tempted to respond to friends getting in touch late in the evening.

Getting help with sleep problems: If your child keeps having problems getting to sleep or sleeping through the night, you may feel you could do with more support. You can speak to your GP or health visitor about these worries.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB—COLLECTION OF CHILDREN

Please note: if your child attends an After School Club, they need to be collected promptly at 4.30pm. If you are allowing your child to walk home by themselves, Mrs Chapman must be informed by you (and not your child). Staff need to be able to dismiss children promptly as they have commitments after the club finishes.

After School Clubs:

Monday: Art & Craft Y1-Y6; Volleyball Y3-Y5; iPad Y1-Y2

Tuesday: Art & Craft Y1-Y6; Multisports Y1-Y2

Wednesday: Athletics Y4-Y5; Recorders Y3-Y6; Area Band; Lego Y5-Y6

Thursday: Kick Boxing Y3-Y6; Dance Y2-Y6; Homework Y4-Y6; Orchard Y2-Y6

Friday: No Clubs

Clubs start at 3.30pm and finish promptly at 4.30pm



Children wore red clothing on Red Nose Day and managed to raise £101.22. Well done all.

LATE ARRIVALS INTO SCHOOL / LATE COLLECTIONS

A reminder to parents that should you bring your child /children into school after 9.00am (when the gates are locked) you are required to complete a late slip for your child/children explaining the reason for lateness. Also, any parent collecting their child after 3.25pm will be required to sign the 'Late Collection' book at the school office.

Please note: Unless late, children are not to enter / exit school through the main reception doors. Children are to be taken through the gates in the morning so they enter school through their classrooms.

